

Chairman Powell:

While we fight and die for free speech in on other continents, you propose killing it America in the name of market efficiencies. Our public airways exist to serve the public through diversity in media, not a few corporate shareholders. Public good vs. economies of scale is not a valid argument. Not everyone accesses "alternate" media sources and not everyone is (yet) hoodwinked into paying a ridiculous monthly fee for cable. Even in NYC we have some of the poorest coverage of local issues one can imagine. I believe you have an obligation to LISTEN to the public, at least those fortunate enough to have been advised of this issue and to vote AGAINST further consolidation of media. In fact, it would be in Americas best interest if you would split up the five-finger monopoly that currently exists and perhaps we would hear more than murder, mayhem, traffic, whether, and some glossy celebrity coverage by Ken and Barbie dolls!